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By JK, NARS, Date 8/11/7

WORKING PAPER ON INSPECTION CARIBBEAN PREPARED BY UN REFERRED TO OURTEL 1781 HAS JUST BEEN DELIVERED TO US. IT DIFFERS IN SEVERAL RESPECTS FROM PROPOSAL OUTLINED THIS MORNING BUT WE CAN OF COURSE SUGGEST ANY MODIFICATIONS WE WISH IF GENERAL IDEA SEEMS WORTH PURSUING. TEXT IS AS FOLLOWS:

THERE WILL BE ESTABLISHED A UNITED NATIONS OBSERVATION GROUP OPERATING FROM THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN NEW YORK. THE GROUP WILL CONSIST OF EMINENT PERSONALITIES AND MILITARY OBSERVERS FROM NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES.

THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE OBSERVATION GROUP WILL BE TO HELP MORMALIZE THE SITUATION IN THE CARIBBEAN. FOR THIS PURPOSE THE COUNTRIES IN THE CARIBBEAN AND IN CENTRAL AMERICAN WILL AGREE TO RECEIVE THE UNITED NATIONS OBSERVER GROUP AND GUARANTEE THEM FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT IN THEIR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIES.

"ONE OF THE PRIMARY TASKS OF THIS GROUP WILL BE TO VERIFT ON THE GROUND THE DISMANTLING OF MISSILE BASES CAPABLE OF LAUNCHING MEDIUM RANGE AND INTERMEDIATE RANGE BALLISTIC MISSILES IN CUBA, AND THEIR RETURN TO THE USSR. INCLUDED IN ITS TERMS OF REFERENCE WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO INVESTIGATE ANY COMPLAINT OR SUSPICION THAT, IN ANY PART OF

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THE CARIBBEAN OR IN CENTRAL AMERICA, NUCLEAR VEAPONS OR MISSILE ARE BEING INTRODUCED OF MISSILE SITES ESTABLISHED FOR OF-FENSIVE PURPOSES.

"THE GROUP WILL ALSO HAVE AUTHORITY TO INVESTIGATE COMPLAINTS THAT OFFENSIVE PREPARATIONS ARE BEING MADE IN ANY PART OF THE CARIBBEAN OR CENTRAL AMERICA WITH A VIEW TO LAUNCHING AN IN-VASION AGAINST THE TERRITORY OF ANY OTHER COUNTRY IN THE CARIBBEAN OR IN CENTRAL AMERICA.

"AFTER THE SITUATION IN THE CARIBBEAN HAS BEEN NORMALIZED THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE GROUP MAY BE ENLARGED BY AGREEMENT AMONG THE PARTIES.

"THESE ARE THE PROPOSED TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE OBSERVER GROUP. IF THE PROPOSAL IS ACCEPTED IN PRINCIPLE BY CUBA AND THE USA IN THE FIRST INSTANCE, THEN CONSULTATIONS WILL BE UNDERTAKEN WITH ALL THE PARTIES CONCERNED WITH A VIEW TO SECURING THE WIDEST POSSIBLE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS PROPOSAL. THEREAFTER NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE UNDERTAKEN IN ORDER TO WORK OUT THE DETAILED ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE OBSERVER GROUP."

STEVENSON

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